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Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554 RE: MM Docket 99-325

Dear Sirs:

I own and operate:

Miller Communications, Inc., licensee of WTIM-FM Taylorville, IL and WMKR(FM) Pana, IL

Kaskaskia Broadcasting, Inc., licensee of WRAN(FM) Tower Hill, IL Virden Broadcasting Corp., licensee of WKEI(AM)-WYEC(FM) Kewanee, IL; WJRE (FM) Galva, IL; and WGEN(AM) Geneseo, IL

I am filing these comments to strongly oppose the FCC's proposal to force radio broadcasters to convert to Ibiquity Radio's digital audio transmission for AM and FM radio stations.

The costs involved in converting our 7 stations from analog to digital, would be a minimum of \$350,000, which our group, and most small market broadcasters, just don't have.

And, with the limit of having to broadcast the same programming on both our analog and digital channels, there is no financial incentive to convert. If we could transmit different programming on our analog versus digital channels, this would open up the opportunity for us to do, for example, more local high school sports play by play broadcasts, and other special events that we don't have a place for now.

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This forced conversion would literally force small market broadcasters out of business, and thus deprive small communities such as those we serve, the local radio service that they expect and deserve.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask the Commission to NOT force implemention of digital radio for AM and FM radio stations.

Respectfully submitted, Miller Media Group Radio Stations By Randal J. Miller, President